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		§1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the statement. 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(2).					
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5.	\boxtimes	A list of 3 reference(s) is in the enclosed Form PTO-1449.					

NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE REFERENCES

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\boxtimes	The applicant has provided a machine translation of Japanese language reference number 06-198962 as a matter of courtesy. The applicant has not reviewed the translation for accuracy.
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